

FY08 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Program

Application Deadline: 3 p.m. Wednesday, September 5th, 2007

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, in coordination with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, is pleased to issue the FY08 Request for Responses for the 2008 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Program.

This grant program provides funding to public water systems and municipalities for land acquisitions that protect public drinking water supplies and drinking water quality. The direct recipient of a grant must be a municipality or public water system authorized by the Commonwealth to provide water to the public. Eligible land acquisitions include land located in existing drinking water supply areas. Land may be acquired through purchase of fee simple title, purchase of a conservation restriction, or purchase of a combination of fee simple title and conservation restriction(s).

The maximum grant award for a single project is \$500,000. The maximum reimbursement amount available is 50% of the total project cost. This Request for Responses is being issued in anticipation of the availability of funding. Final grant awards are contingent upon funding. There is no guarantee that monies will be awarded. Multiple contracts may be awarded by MassDEP.

Qualified applications will be selected on a competitive basis. We look forward to receiving your applications.

Applications must be submitted no later than Wednesday, September 5, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.

The complete Drinking Water Supply Protection Request for Responses (RFR) is now available on the Comm-PASS website: <https://www.comm-pass.com/> Directions for negotiating the site are included below.

DEP and EOEEA will hold two informational grant workshops. The first will take place on Thursday, June 7, from 3:00pm – 4:45pm at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Western Regional Office in Northampton. The second workshop will take place on Thursday, June 14, from 1:00pm - 3:00pm at the Boston MassDEP office.

For directions to the DPH facility, please visit:

<http://www.mass.gov/dph/about/directions/wrkdir.htm>

For directions to the Boston MassDEP office, please visit:

<http://www.mass.gov/dep/about/organization/depdir.htm>

FY08 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Comm-PASS Instructions:

- 1.) On the Comm-PASS home page (<http://www.comm-pass.com/>) select the “Solicitations” tab at the top-left of the page.
- 2.) Select “Search for a Solicitation”.
- 3.) In the "Search by Specific Criteria" section enter “BRP 2007-03” in the Document Number field.
- 4.) This search will yield one result. Click on the sentence on the top of the page that says: "There are 1 Solicitation(s) found that match your search criteria".
- 5.) Select the spectacle icon on the far right-hand column to view all information available for this grant program.
- 6.) Click on the tab that says "Specifications" to view the grant Request for Response. Answers to questions and amendments to the original RFR (if necessary) will also be posted here. Click on the spectacle icon to view and print any document posted in this section.

FY07 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Award Recipients

Grant Recipient	Acres	Grant Awarded	Project Description
Town of Carver	123	\$500,000	Acquire property for a new drinking water well site. Moderate-to-high yield aquifer. 95% Zone II. 100% BioMap Core Habitat. High threat of development (Town is exercising right-of-first refusal for this property which was withdrawn from the Ch.61A program.)
City of Leominster	50	\$188,813	Acquisition to help protect Notown Reservoir. Between 75-95% of property lies within the Zone A or B. Abuts more than 250 acres of protected open space.
Town of Middleborough	211	\$330,000	Provide protection for Black Brook (Zone A) - the primary tributary stream to the Assawompset Ponds Complex. Also protects a portion of Zone II of the Town's Spruce Street Well. 100% BioMap core habitat.
City of New Bedford	97	\$470,000	Provide protection for Black Brook (Zone A) - the primary tributary stream to the Assawompset Ponds Complex. Helps protects a source that lacks an emergency or alternative source.
South Grafton Water District	2.7	\$108,687	Existing, eligible well site. 100% of property lies w/in Zone I & II. Portion lies within the Zone I. High threat of commercial development.
City of Taunton	65	\$352,500	Provide protection for Black Brook (Zone A) - the primary tributary stream to the Assawompset Ponds Complex. Helps protects a source that lacks an emergency or alternative source.
City of Worcester	75	\$350,000	Property contains one mile of frontage on Scott Brook. Project would eliminate potential contaminant source within the Zone A. Abuts >250 acres of protected open space.
FY07 Total:	623.7	\$2,300,000	

FY06 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Award Recipients - Round 1

Grant Recipient	Acres	Grant Awarded	Project Description
Town of Cohasset	44	\$387,400	Property lies entirely within the Zone B surface water protection area for the town's public drinking water supply and also abuts the Wompatuck State Park.
Wareham Fire District	7	\$78,500	Property lies entirely within the Zone II recharge area for the town's public drinking water supply wells and also abuts the Myles Standish State Forest.
Town of Marshfield	7.9	\$183,063	Property lies entirely within the Zone II recharge area for the town's public drinking water supply wells.
Town of Reading	10.4	\$16,167	Property lies entirely within the Zone II recharge area for the town's public drinking water supply wells and also abuts the Town Forest.
Round 1 Total:	69.3	\$665,130	

FY06 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Award Recipients - Round 2

Grant Recipient	Acres	Grant Awarded	Project Description
Town of Brewster	26	\$500,000	Property lies entirely within the Zone II recharge area for the Town of Dennis public drinking water supply wells. Parcels also abut more than 300 acres of protected open space.
Town of Cohasset	8	\$44,600	63% of the parcel lies in the in Zone A surface water protection area for the town's public drinking water supply. The links to town owned land and Wompatuck State Park and is BioMap core habitat.
City of Leominster	57	\$300,000	More than 70% of the parcel is in the Zone B surface water protection area. The parcel abuts over 1,000 acres protected open space and the entire property is BioMap supporting habitat.
Town of Mattapoisett	74	\$179,494	Approximately 90% of the property lies with a Zone II recharge area. The property is also identified as BioMap core habitat.
City of Newburyport	102	\$500,000	This parcel was identified by EOE in 2004 as "Land Potentially Available for Future Groundwater Supplies". This land is being acquired as a potential future well location.
North Raynham Water District	12	\$207,500	The property lies entirely within the Zone II recharge area for an existing well and approximately 67% of the property lies within the Zone II of a proposed well site.
City of Westfield	16.65	\$110,000	Approximately 15% of the parcel lies within a current Zone II recharge area and 50% lies within a future Zone II recharge area. The entire property is Living Waters supporting habitat.
City of Worcester	16	\$25,000	Approximately 50% of parcel lies within the Zone A surface water protection area with 900 feet of frontage on a reservoir tributary. The parcel abuts over 1,000 acres of protected open space and has been identified by NHESP as rare species priority habitat.

Round 2 Total: 311.65 \$1,866,594

FY06 Total: 381 \$2,531,724

FY05 Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Award Recipients

Grant Recipient	Acres	Grant Awarded	Project Description
Town of Barnstable	13.24	\$500,000	Protects a Zone II of the Hayden wellfield; 500' of frontage on Marstons Mills River.
Town of Cohasset	67	\$454,300	Protects Zone A and B Surface Water Protection Area and Lily Pond tributaries.
Town of Dartmouth	15.66	\$24,050	Protects land in Zone I and II.
Town of Hatfield	14.4	\$33,800	Protects a tributary into the Hatfield Reservoir.
Town of Marshfield	7.11	\$410,000	Provides additional protection for the Little Creek Aquifer Zone II Protection District.
Wareham Fire District	23	\$160,500	Provides buffer to town wells from residential development; protects Zone II recharge.
West Groton Water District	94	\$395,000	Protects land for at least two potential well sites and buffers existing wells.
City of Westfield	35	\$45,000	Protects Tilloyson Brook, a minor tributary to the Granville Reservoir.
Town of Westford	286	\$500,000	Protects Stony Brook Aquifer Protection District; feeds Nutting and Depot wells.
City of Worcester	215	\$500,000	Protects 1.7 miles of frontage on the Muschopague Brook leading to Quinapoxet Reservoir.
FY05 Total:	311.65	\$1,866,594	